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Registrations open: 2020 Work Health & Safety Seminar

Registrations are now open for the premier wine industry safety event – the 2020 Work Health and Safety Seminar by the South Australian Wine Industry Association (SAWIA).

This annual seminar, held in McLaren Vale and the Barossa Valley on 24 and 26 November 2020, is a key source of WHS information for wine industry employers of all sizes.

The keynote speaker is Australia's pre-eminent occupational heat stress consultant, Dr Matt Brearley, who will talk about the critical importance of managing the risk of heat stress for wine businesses during vintage and best practice measures to manage this risk.

Other speakers include Finlaysons Lawyers who will talk about safety obligations during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Heart Foundation who will talk about heart health in the workplace and Pinnacle Workplace Consultants who will talk about manual handling risks in cellar work.

The event will also see the launch of the new Fit4Work manual handling safety resource for cellar work. This is an online training module aimed at reducing the risk of injuries to cellar workers caused by common manual tasks, which is the greatest cause of injuries. More details about the Fit4Work resource will provided next month.

"We know from our annual Member Appraisal that work health and safety is one of the top three issues that our members need support with," said Brian Smedley, Chief Executive of SAWIA.

"These seminars are a great opportunity for winery owners, grape growers, managers, supervisors, team leaders and work health and safety representatives and committee members to get up to speed with the latest in work health and safety and receive practical advice to assist with employee productivity and ongoing business success."

Venues and dates:

- **McLaren Vale**: Tuesday 24 November 2020, McLaren Vale & Fleurieu Visitor Information Centre: https://www.winesa.asn.au/eventdetails/7701/2020-annual-work-health-and-safety-seminar-mclaren-vale
- **Barossa Valley**: Thursday 26 November 2020, The Vine Inn, Nuriootpa: https://www.winesa.asn.au/eventdetails/7735/2020-annual-work-health-and-safety-seminar-barossa-valley

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